

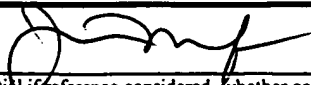
FORM PTO/SB/08A/B (1001) Substitute for PTO-1449A/B INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT (use as many sheets as necessary)	Attorney Docket Number	50154/E349
	Application Number	10/618,373
	Filing Date	July 11, 2003
	Applicant(s)	Bernd Witzigmann, et al.
	Group Art Unit	2828
	Examiner Name	James A. Menefee

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS				
EXAMINER INITIALS	Cite No. ¹	DOCUMENT NUMBER Number - Kind Code ² (If Known)	PUBLICATION DATE MM-DD-YYYY	NAME OF PATENTEE
		6,925,103	08-02-2005	Ishikawa et al.

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS					
EXAMINER INITIALS	Cite No. ¹	Foreign Patent Document Country Code ³ - Number ⁴ - Kind Code ⁵ (If Known)	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	T ⁶ (✓)

OTHER DOCUMENTS		
EXAMINER INITIALS	Cite No. ¹	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article, title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published.

SLS PAS654242.1--11/22/05 3:41 PM

EXAMINER SIGNATURE		DATE CONSIDERED	12/28/05
EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609; Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. ¹ Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ² See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.pto.gov or MPEP 901.4. ³ Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO standard ST.3). ⁴ For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁵ Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. ⁶ Applicant is to place a check mark here if English Language Translation is attached.			

Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE